

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-6 (Canceled)

7. (New) Authentication device of a message comprising a message storage device, a protected device connected to said storage device, a display device connected to said protected device, characterized in that the protected device is constituted by a microprocessor card provided with inputs/outputs  $I_1/O_1$  of commands/data for the link with said storage device and  $I_2/O_2$  of display for the link with said display device, physically separate.
8. (New) Authentication device according to claim 7, characterized in that the only logic link between the commands/data circulating between said protected device and said storage device on one hand and data circulating between said protected device and said display device on the other hand, is the software of said protected device.
9. (New) Authentication device according to claim 7, characterized in that said display device is a printer, a screen, or a filing device.
10. (New) Microprocessor card able to be connected to a message storage device and to a display device, characterized in that it is provided with inputs/outputs  $I_1/O_1$  of commands/data for the link with said storage device and  $I_2/O_2$  of display for the link with said display device, physically separate.
11. (New) Microprocessor card according to claim 10, characterized in that the only logic link between the commands/data circulating between said microprocessor card and said

storage device on one hand and data circulating between said microprocessor card and said display device on the other hand, is the software of said card.

12. (New) Microprocessor card according to claim 10, characterized in that it comprises a physically separate inlet to enter a confidential code.

13. (New) Box able to receive a protected device and able to be connected to a message storage device and to a display device, characterized in that it comprises a data/command circuit for the link with said storage device and a display circuit for the link with said display device, the inlets/outlets of said data/command circuit and said display circuit being electrically independent.

14. (New) Box according to claim 7, characterized in that the only logic link between the data circulating in the data/commands and display circuits is the software of said protected device.

15. (New) Box according to claim 7, characterized in that it comprises a keyboard allowing to enter data, such as a confidential code.

16. (New) Authentication device of a message, comprising an “uncertain” message storage device, a protected device connected to said storage device, a display device connected to said protected device and constituting a closed environment considered as “certain”, characterized in that said protected device is constituted by a microprocessor card and said microprocessor card is forming a bridge between an « uncertain » zone, said storage device and a « certain » zone, said display device.